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Morning Session Oakland Stake Conference

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Reported by Thos. S. Ferguson

Visiting brethren were Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of Twelve Apostles and Irving Nydegger of the General Welfare Committee.

Melchizedek Priesthood Chorus, under Rodney Pocock, sang "Let the Lower Lights be Burning."

President Hilton:

"The only way we can serve God is by serving our fellow men. We are living in a great time. The Saturday night of earth's history. Each individual is engaged in great struggle against Satan. We must not minimize power of Satan who now rules the world. The Latter-day Saints are called out of Satan's world. Satan works by subtle means. We must be valiant in our fight against him." He cited the story of Lazarus found in Luke, when the beggar achieved exaltation and the man who refused him aid was assigned to a place of torment.

Irving Nydegger: (Welfare Committee of the Church).

Doc. and Cov. 38 Section . . . "Let every man esteem his brother as himself."

"This principle is violated at every hand. On our way to conference I overheard a rude and impolite Army Lieutenant make a comment to a lady on the train. The Lieutenant was entering the diner out of turn. He said, 'Lady, in this day there is nothing fair.'

"The ultimate objective of the Welfare Program is spiritual—to help individuals work out salvation. The purpose of the Bishop's storehouse is to help us be equal in earthly things so we will be equal in spiritual things. We have only begun to do the things we can do for our needy.

"Every person has a responsibility to his own family. The Welfare Program comes into the picture when a family is unable to care for its own needs."

Glenn W. Harmon:

Brother Harmon spoke briefly, rejoicing at the large numbers attending conferences in Oakland and Berkeley Stakes since the division of the former stake. The attendance was 924 in the morning session. An oppressive heat wave cut the afternoon attendance to 458. Comparable figures for the last quarterly conference were 802 and 594.

Joseph Fielding Smith:

"The Lord warned us of calamities of the latter days. We must stand in 'holy places'. Each must make his individual home a holy place. It will be a holy place if we cause the spirit of the Lord to

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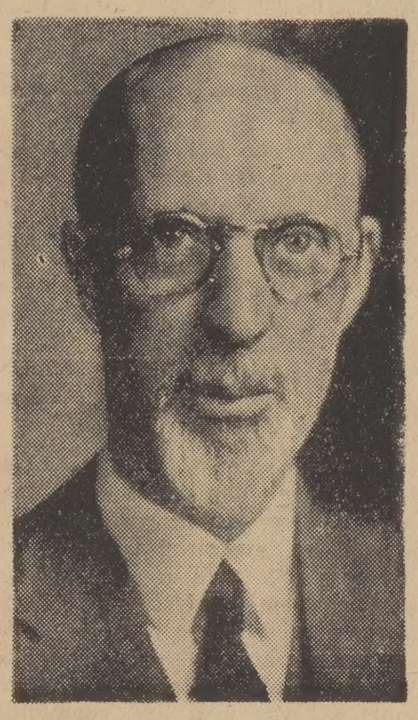
George Albert Smith



President George Albert Smith celebrated his birthday on April 6,1947, by presiding over one of the largest and most impressive G eneral Conferences ever held.

Abundant Life

At the Sunday afternoon Oakland Stake Conference, April 13, President Wright spoke on The Abundant Life, quoting the Savior's words, "I am come that men may have life and that they may have it more abundantly." Not physical abundance but spiritual, for it involves the salvation and eternal life of mankind, which the Lord said was His work and His glory.

The abundant life will be found to include the qualities outlined by the Apostle Peter (II Peter 1:5-8) as faith leading successively onward to virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, and charity.

Stars to Steer By

SPECIAL STAKE PRIMARY GRADUATION

Under the auspices of the Stake Primary Board the primary children of the Berkeley Stake will present a special program honoring the primary graduates. Through tableaux and songs the principles and ideals of the primary organization will unfold in the graduation award night program, "Stars to Steer By."

You will surely "do it for thysen" if you are in attendance at the Berkeley Ward Chapel on Friday, May 23rd at 8:00 p. m.

ATTENTION PRIMARY WORKERS!

Our last Union meeting of the season will be held Friday, May 16. A special program has been arranged and refreshments will be served. Presidents—your cooperation will be appreciated in urging your workers to be present.

FIRST PRIMARY STAKE CONFERENCE

During the evening of Sunday, April 27, the wards and branches of Berkeley Stake held in their respective wards their first Primary conferences since the formation of the new stake. Stake board members were present at all programs and reported that Primary children had done an outstanding work in presenting the pioneer theme. Congratulations to the Primary residents for the signal success in these events. June Primary Convention will assemble in Salt Lake City June 14 and 15. All who can are urged to attend.

Oakland Stake Conference Music

Liberal measures of praise were heaped upon the Stake Melchizedek Chorus led by Rodney Pocock for its musical numbers at the Sunday morning session of the conference. It was the first time such a chorus of the Higher Priesthood has been heard, and all rejoiced at the pleasing renditions of their inspiring selections.

The Maxwell Park Choir, led by Mrs. Beatrice Larsen with Rollin Jensen at the organ, furnished music for the afternoon and evening sessions with Rex and Mary Bowles in two duets in the evening meeting. We who heard this choir were astonished at the masterful finish and professional attack, balance and harmony displayed by the Maxwell Ward singers. This music alone repaid all who attended the conference and has left a remarkably high standard of excellence for the future.

Shasta District's Socialization Activities

"TO PREACH TEMPLE MARRIAGES WITHOUT PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE TO MINGLE WITH CHURCH MEMBERS IN RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IS A WASTE OF TIME"

Our problem is how to bring the young folks of Shasta District together and to give them a chance to associate with those of their own faith.

There are six branches in the District at great distances from each other

The first attempt to bring the members of the District togeher in a social gathering was at Corning last summer. The success of this undertaking encouraged plans for more gatherings of the same kind.

In September the young folks of the District were organized, with a governing board made up of representatives from the various branches. This group met and planned the season's activities.

An opening social was held in Redding in September on the Saturday night before the District Conference, for an evening of the most wholesome recreation. The following day these young people participated in one of the best conferences that has been held in the District for a long time. It was inspirational to hear these fine young people express themselves in speech and song.

After this, each Branch in the District took a turn in playing hostess to the other branches, and every party was a success, culmin-

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Priesthood Neglect Fatal

"Sad to say, it's a minority in the church who are full tithe payers. In our elders' quorums it's a minority who attend to their duties," declared Joseph Fielding Smith at the Priesthood-Leadership meeting of the Oakland Stake Conference, Saturday evening, April 12, 1947, in the Oakland Chapel.

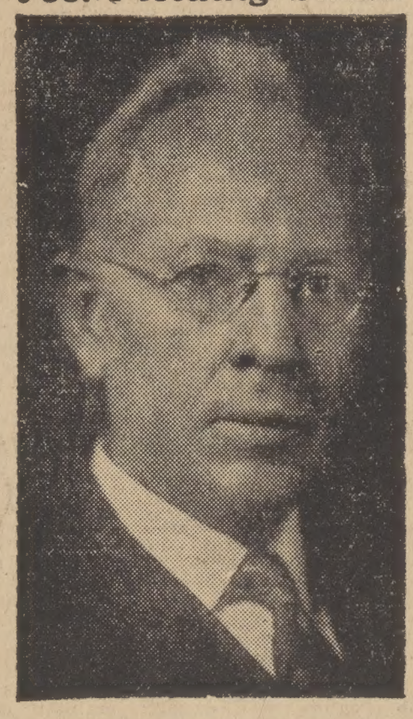
"There is a great body of our Priesthood who are spiritually dying. It is a painless death, perhaps, but sometime they will feel the keenest sorrow, that of banishment from the presence of God. "Whoso is faithful unto obtaining these two Priesthoods . . . and the magnifying their calling are sanctified unto the renewing of their bodies . . . Therefore all that my Father hath shall be given unto them . . . and whoso breaketh this covenant after he has received it, and altogether turneth therefrom, shall not have forgiveness of sins in this world nor in the world to come." (D & C 84).

"Do our elders know this?" asked Elder Smith, and he answered, "No, or they would not fail to honor their priesthood. They will never get the priesthood again, nor enter the Celestial Kingdom; neither be exalted. Therefore, it is our solemn duty to go out and reclaim the negligent. Great will be our joy with even one whom we bring into activity again."

In a most interesting period of questions and answers Elder Smith gave information including the following: 1. All the prophets of Israel held the Melchizedek Priesthood, 2. In Moses' day God gave Israel the Law of the Gospel on the first stone tables, but Moses broke these when he found Israel turned to idolatry. Then God gave Moses the second time stone tables and wrote thereon the Lesser Law, and made the tribe of Levi priests instead of making them all holders of the Melchiedek Priesthood. The Nephites were not Levites but held the Higher Priesthood.

Shall I Marry Out of the Church

Jos. Fielding Smith



Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of Twelve was very convincing in his address at the last Oakland Stake Conference. His mastery of Schiptures, ancient and modern, was amazing to behold at the Saturday evening Priesthood meeting during an open period of questions and answers.

President Joseph Fielding Smith spoke on marriage at the afternoon session of the Oakland Stake Conference, April 13. His approach to the subject was most impressive. Among the chief thoughts were the following:

The various sects marry only until death, yet good sectarians don't really want this. Many poems are written speaking of a hoped-for reuniting hereafter. Where have the Christian Churches received their idea of marriage until death? Largely from misinterpretation of the Savior's words in answer to the question of certain Sadducees as to the marital status in the hereafter of the woman who had been married successively to seven brothers. Jesus truly taught on this occasion, not that there should be no marriages extending into the resurrection, but that in the resurrection there would be no marrying since that ordinance must have been performed for eternity on this earth before the parties had risen from their graves. Jesus also taught the Pharisees that when couples are joined in marriage by God's ordinance of marriage they become "one Flesh", and that oneness is so lasting that rightfully divorce should not seek to put it asunder. Death will not sever it. Adam and Eve were married for an everlasting union, being married before there was any death. Jesus said that divorce had been allowed "because of the hardness of your hearts, but from the beginning it was not so."

Elder Smith read a letter to an unmarried female who had written to Orson Pratt relative to marrying out of the church. In striking phrases the young lady was told that if she did so marry and was not sealed she would loose, not only her husband in the resurrection, but her children also and would have moreover forfeited her privileges of an eternal increase hereafter. She was directly advised of the impropriety of keeping company with or of marrying non-believers.

Forgive and Be Forgiven

President Angus Norberg said at the Oakland Stake Conference that Jesus taught us to pray, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." He further said, "If ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive you your trespasses." This text holds a most important truth: God will not forgive us if we do not forgive others.

Do we overlook the faults we see in others? A person who is deeply conscious of his own weaknesses will readily forgive others of their trespasses against him. Jesus taught that we must forgive others seventy times seven, and showed us that sometimes those who have had great trespasses forgiven them, as the man in the parable was forgiven a debt of 10,000 talents, yet themselves fail to forgive others even small offenses against them."

Forgiveness is one of the basic doctrines of the Christian religion because it brings with it love and unity to the home and the community. If this spirit prevailed among the nations of the world peace would come to the earth. Without it no lasting peace can come.

Future Stake Conferences

Stake Conference Dates

San Francisco—June 7-8; October 11-12.

Oakland—June 28-29; October 25-26.

Gridley—August 23-24; November 8-9.

Berkeley—August 30-31; November 15-16.

Palo Alto—May 10-11; September 6-7; November 22-23.

Sacramento—May 24-25; September 20-21; December 6-7.

M-Men and Gleaner Convention Of Northern California

SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 30, 31, and JUNE 1, 1947

Beginning with registration at the S.F. Stake House, 22nd Avenue and Judah Street, Friday afternoon, May 30; an oriental dinner, tour, and opera in S.F.'s famous Chinatown Friday evening; a short, snappy session Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m. at the S.F. Stake House, followed by luncheon and rousing sports of all kinds all afternoon in the great Golden Gate Park, with plenty of time to ramble off here and there in groups; a Saturday evening banquet and dance and program of competitive skits for prizes; and rising to a climax Sunday, June 1st, with a mammoth testimonial meeting, and an inspirational address by that master of boy leaders, Oscar Kirkham, of the Quorum of Seventy—that in the briefest outline is the fabulous fare offered at THE M-MEN AND GLEANERS CONVENTION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA in the fairy months of May and June in the city by the Golden Gate.

Those invited are the youth between the ages of 17 and 25, and the M-Men and Gleaner supervisors and leaders, and also all married couples and young men and women who are counted among the active M-Men and Gleaners.

Registration blanks are available through M-Men and Gleaner leaders in each ward, or by writing to the Editor of The Messenger. All that come are urged to come on Friday, even though it is realized that many cannot come until Saturday.

The registration fee is as follows:

Friday through Sunday	$5.00
Saturday a.m. through Sunday	3.00
Saturday p.m. through Sunday	2.50

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple." Mal. 3:1.

The following form is for use hereafter by the members of the wards of the Oakland Stake of Zion in their budget acceptances. Included, as will be seen, in each member's budget is the sum of 50c for the year's subscription to the Messenger.

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Green and Gold Ball

The annual Gold and Green Ball was held in the Scottish Rite Temple, April 25. Approximately 900 persons attended, coming from both Berkeley and Oakland Stakes. The ceremony of the Queens was more beautiful than ever before. "The Spirit of the M.I.A.", a Golden Gleaner, was Ruth Williams of Maxwell Park Ward. Each ward of both stakes was represented by a queen. The queens were as follows:

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Pittsburg	Gloria Magleby
Richmond	Alta Jolly
San Leandro	Afton Hallows
Vallejo	De Lois Thorpe

Claremont Ward

At the recent Primary Conference a lovely poem by our Primary president, Margaret Ahlborn, was read by the author. Her husband a lieutenant in the Berkeley Fire Department, received eye injuries while helping fight the great fire in Berkeley Square last week. Our sympathies and prayers are extended for his speedy and complete recovery.

The deacon's quorum enjoyed a swimming party last Saturday under the energetic leadership of Julian Kelly . . . Terry Wadsworth is recovering from an operation . . . Calvin Wood is as good as new after his recent apendectomy.

The building committee has launched a project for selling Refinoil Coupon Books, the benefits to go to the ward building fund. All are asked to cooperate in this worthy project.

The aged mother of Mrs. Wallace Haws recently passed away while on a visit with Sister Wallace. Our sympathies go out to Sister Wallace in her great loss . . . The Fireside Group has elected Darrell Dangerfield president. Vern Olsen is serving currently as group instructor . . . Word comes that Clarence Dangerfield and Elsmere Kern are enjoying their missionary labors, representing Claremont Ward.

Jay L. Brown has been released as Sunday School Superintendent and sustained as president of the 4th Quorum of Elders, since former president, Elbert M. Gleason, has been recommended for ordination as a high priest . . . Ethel Badouin has asked to be released from the Y. M. M. I. A. . . . Arthur J. Burdette represented the bishopric at the April General Conference in Salt Lake City.

Pittsburg Ward News

April 19 at the Antioch Women's Club the M-Men and Gleaners sponsored a spaghetti dinner in order to raise funds for stake dues and also to start a fund for use in decorating a room when Pittsburg gets a Ward Chapel. Jo Cannon was chief chef and all who ate of her goods testified of her excellence as a cook. Carol Clayton, president of the Gleaners, was general chairman. The centennial theme was observed with an additional observance of the 25th birthday of the M-Men, Gleaner organization. George Lemmon as toastmaster kept the atmosphere delightfully pleasant and gay.

A Sunday School at Brentwood has been started as a branch of Pittsburg Ward. A most encouraging average of 39 have been present at each meeting thus far. Pittsburg can well look for a lot of competition from the very energetic Saints in the Brentwood area.

Planting time has arrived again, mainly for the Servicemen of Camp Stoneman. Two plots of ground are now being cultivated preparatory to tentative plans for planting beans and tomatoes for the welfare plan. Suggestions as to what to plant have been as varied as the remedies for curing a common cold, but beans and tomatoes seem high on the list. (Don't be surprised if they end up with artichokes and squash though!)

Mrs. Belle Spafford Inspires

President Belle S. Spafford of the General Relief Society Board gave inspiring counsel and specific instructions to the Relief Society Regional Convention for Northern California April 16 at the S. F. Stake House.

The large attendance heard her tell of the strong testimony which she has secured as to the truthfulness of the Gospel. This did not come to her suddenly but was partly inherited from a faithful mother and grandmother, and has grown continuously through study and prayer. She advised the members to attend Sacrament meetings, and to strive to gain a strong testimony through reading the scriptures and prayer and participation in Church activities.

Sister Spafford told of the need that has compelled the increase in subscription price of the Relief Society magazine, since at present the General Board is sustaining an actual loss in publication of the magazine. Beginning with the July issue, therefore, the price will be $1.50. Most national magazines long ago had to increase the price of their subscriptions. The Relief Society membership has grown to 107,000.

The proper procedure for handling needy people was explained thoroughly, and the necessity of these procedures was stressed.

On Friday afternoon at the Berkeley Chapel President Spafford again spoke before the Oakland and Berkeley Stakes Union meeting. She told of her experience in meeting with the first Lamanite Conference and of the opportunity she then had of going through the Temple with them, the first time that the Temple had been opened for them alone. She told of a Lamanite boy who had a white father who was a Latter-day Saint, but whose mother was a Catholic Indian. The boy was a member of the Church, and while he was filling a mission in South America his mother was converted to the Church through the letters which her son had written to her. He was thereupon allowed to take a leave from his mission and to return home to baptize his own mother. They were together in the group that went through the Temple.

"If you will live up to your privileges the angels cannot help but be your associates. Faith and love and living up to the principles of the Gospel qualify you for the work of the Relief Society. We want to feel the hand of the Lord when we work," said Sister Spafford. She asked everyone to read the Scriptures often, and particularly the 32nd chapter of Alma, and the story of John the Beloved and other stories in the Bible of love and service.

"God loves his daughters", she added, "as he does his sons, and gives them work according to their inclinations." She told of a testimony meeting at a stake conference which was five hours long, and how strong the testimonies there born.

A visit she had made to Mrs. Truman was mentioned, as also the beautiful lace cloth that was presented to the First Lady at that time. "We are a respected people, but we haven't reached this station without great effort and fine living by the women of the past. Now it is our day. Are we going to measure up to and honor the place they have won for us?"

Velma Simonson, a member of the General Board, declared that we are like instruments, and we should not let things throw us off balance. She told of the attitudes of two women who had lost their husbands. One had been active in the Church and had a good foundation to give her balance; the other, inactive, was lost, and seemingly did not know how she could carry on. She said that we would have joy in the unselfish service we render in Relief Society work.

July 24th Celebration

A grand all-day outing in Tilden Park will be held Saturday, July 28th, of this year, according to advance announcements of the M.I.A. Sports, including swimming, and all the usual games, will make the day memorable. This is the nearest day to the 24th on which people can meet.

Shasta District

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ating in the District Green and Gold Ball held in Reding on April 25. This dancing party was attended by more than 350 people.

The thing we hoped for most has been accomplished: a good friendly spirit prevails in all our gatherings. The young folks all know each other and have found their recreational opportunities in church activities. Every Branch now has its young people engaged in some kind of M.I.A. activity.

When arrangements were being made for the Shasta District Gold and Green Ball in Redding, the management of the hall warned the M.I.A. officers that a formal dance would not be successful; that no one yet had been able to "clear expenses" at such a dance . . .

The officers decided not to let down the bars, and proceeded to make plans for a formal dance. "No smoking" signs were posted, and responsible persons assigned to see that they were enforced. One or two smokers in the course of the evening were asked to step outside to smoke. One or two others came inappropriately dressed, but they kept in the background.

In the future there will be no question about maintaining high standards. Compliments are pouring in from the public. The manager of the hall described the dance as "A nice dance made up of nice people!" — Elsie Johnson Worthley.

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Berkeley Ward News

Berkeley Ward Primary held their annual conference Sunday, April 27th, with 90 children participating. A Centennial theme was carried out and the drawings used were done by the Primary children. A large attendance enjoyed every minute.

The M. I. A. starts their May Festival on the 6th. The first evening will be Speech Arts under the direction of Margaret Owens and Fern McCord. The following week, Music, under the direction of Mary Russell Burton. Third and final week will be Drama under the direction of Kirke Decker, and to top the evening—a party.

Gamma Rho Chi girls are busily preparing for their excursion to the Mesa Temple sometime late this summer. Their last two projects have been helping Geneve Brinton and Don Merrill with the Era Drive (which went well over the quota) and selling lunches at the May Conference. Iris Young, the girls' former leader, sends her regards to all in Berkeley Ward. Her friends will be happy to know she was married on the 25th of April in the Mesa Temple to Ralph L. Preston, who is in business in Mesa where they will make their home. Iris and Virginia Barrett Rogers, a former member of Gamma Rho Chi, who now lives in Phoenix, Arizona, will be on hand when the girls make their trip.

Berkeley and Oakland Stakes held a joint union meeting April 18th at Berkeley. Sister Belle Spafford, General President of the Relief Society and Sister Simonson of the General Board were in attendance and gave some splendid advice and encouragement. All wards in both stakes were well represented. A reception followed the meeting, refreshments were served by the Stake Board members of the two stakes.

Sunday, April 20th, Anna Patton was speaker at the unveiling of the marker at the old home of Edwin Markham, San Jose. At this home where the poet lived for 20 years he wrote many poems including the famous, "The Man with the Hoe". The old parlor of the Markham home is now called the "Hoe Room". Many rare writings of Edwin Markham, Henry Meade Bland, and other California writers are kept there.

April 27th—Heber C. Russell and Stanley F. Patton visited the Temple site in Oakland in the interest of Genealogy class plans they hope to complete in the near future.

Philip Humphreys

70's News From Abroad

". . . the field is white already to harvest . . . D. C. 4:3."

Phillip Humphreys, Dimond Ward, now serving in the Tahaitian mission, was born in Burley, Idaho but moved to Dimond before his first birthday. He graduated from Oakland High School in 1940. For a time before entering the service, Phil worked in one of the local shipyards and then entered the Army Air Corps. He served three and one half years in the Air Corps and was remote control operator of B-29's at the end of the war.

Phil practically went straight from the army to the mission home in Salt Lake City. He was given his farewell party by the Dimond Ward May, 1946 as he was passing through Oakland on his way from Salt Lake to Papeete, headquarters of the Tahaitian mission. Phil went to his mission field accompanied by three other missionaries. They were the first ones to be called to this mission since the war and hence had to do a lot of pioneer work—picking up the work where it was dropped before the war—with no senior companions to help them.

Phil has worked in Papeete since his arrival. He reports that the natives are kind, friendly, and that they get a great deal of fun out of life. He says many of them seem to know much of the scriptures by heart but most of it is only rote learning; they seem unable to interpret them.

The Church is embarking on an ambitious building program in Papeete's best district. Phil reports that the program will require ten years to finish but, when completed, it will give the Tahaitian mission one of the finest headquarters in the church.

The diving season, in which native divers work in depths up to one hundred and sixty feet without diving equipment, recently opened. Phil reports that the four best divers are Latter Day Saint Men—quite a tribute to the Word of Wisdom. He claims he will be able to go down forty feet before he leaves for home.

It is evident from his letters that Phil is enjoying his work in the South Seas and that he has the true missionary spirit and is accomplishing much good there. We wish him every happiness and the Lord's blessings in his glorious work there.

Berkeley Stake Conference

Berkeley Stake held its regular quarterly conference in the Berkeley Chapel, May 3 and 4, when Elder Thomas E. McKay, assistant to the Quorum of the Twelve Apostels, represented the general authorities and gave some of the most inspiring discourses we have ever enjoyed. Elder Roscoe W. Eardley, of the General Welfare Committee, had been announced as coming to the conference, but at the last minute he was detained in Salt Lake City to oversee shipments to Europe, and for other pressing duties.

The Messenger will bring a report of this conference in the June issue. Since the April issue contains the report of the Oakland Stakes Conference held during April, it was thought best not to attempt the two reports in the one issue.

High Priests' Events

On May 22 at 8 p.m. in the Berkeley Chapel the High Priests' Quorum of the Berkeley Stake will convene in their quarterly quorum meeting. A short business session will be followed by a social and program. Please bring your ladies. Also keep clear August 21 and November 20 for other quarterly quorum events.

At the last quorum meeting the financial report was given showing cash on hand, $555.61. These funds will be used for emergency aid to members or their families, for support of missionary and temple work, and for incidental quorum needs. An accounting is made at each quarterly meeting. Dues are $5.00 (except where this would work a hardship), and are now payable to the group leader.

The H. P. quorum has been assigned the work of keeping in good condition one-half of the Tabernacle lot. Volunteers are needed. The H. P. of Oakland Stake have the other half under their care.

Sixty-five High Priests of the Oakland Stake met in Elmhurst Chapel May 1st. Joseph Torsen was ordained. Wilford Nelson, formerly a Weber Stake Genealogical Chairman and a High Councilor there, spoke on Temple work in a very clear and impressive manner. President Don J. Allphin read from letters sent by three High Priests on foreign missions, Ed Kingsford in Mexico, Bro. and Sis. Schuler and Herman Uffens in Holland. Also from a report by James England, who is working daily for the quorum in the Mesa Temple. These letters were enjoyed by all.

Pertinent and inspiring remarks were made by the two quorum counsellors, Glen E. Smith and Knute Torgeson, and by President Hilton and Norberg of the stake presidency. The next meeting will be held in Oakland Chapel, August 7. Berkeley Stake H. P. is cordially invited.

Allen B. Snowball

Allen B. Snowball is a member of the High Council of the Berkeley Stake from Fairfield. For unavoidable reasons Elder Snowball was unable to be present when the group picture was taken of the Berkeley Stake High Council, which was reproduced in the April issue of The Messenger. We are pleased to be able to present his picture in this the May Messenger.

Boy Scout News

On April 5, 1947 under the direction of assistant Scoutmaster Ivan Haslam, the Boy Scouts of Troop No. 188 went on a hike into the hills. The day was pleasantly passed in doing their 2nd class requirement work.

This work included: tracking, fire building, cooking, signaling, scout pace for a measured mile and the use of the knife and axe.

Those passing these requirements include: Edward Gamba, Robert Vom Dorp, Stanley Dahlin, Jr., Vance Roskelley, Donald McKinney and Frank Carter.

In the evening Scout Master Leslie Korth joined the group, where during an impressive campfire ceremony the boys were given their Tenderfoot badges.

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Oakland Stake News

ELDERS' OFFICERS

The 1st quorum of Elders, Oakland Ward, has recently reorganized with the following officers: President, Donald W. Walll, 1st counselor, Ernest Adams; 2nd counselor, Wilford Easton; Secretary, Martin Jeffries.

When Elmhurst Ward was divided to create San Leandro Ward the 7th and 2nd Quorums of Elders were reorganized. Lawrence H. Bates is serving as president of the 2nd Quorum (Elmhurst). His counselors have not been selected. The 7th Quorum (San Leandro) is under the presidency of Donald Rowberry, with Howard Marsh and Wilford W. Nelson as counselors.

QUORUM PROJECT

Making, painting, and selling benches and tables for the use of the primary classes was the recently completed project of the 3rd Quorum of Elders (Dimond) under the leadership of Warren Berg. The profits are to be used for establishing a quorum fund, and for their Tabernacle assessment.

Nancy, Barbara, Sharon, and Tommy Hart welcomed a new little sister Sunday, April 27th. The pleased parents are Dr. and Mrs. Melvin G. Hart.

WELFARE PROJECT

The Dimond Ward High Priest group under the leadership of Charles Maurer have started a garden project near the Welfare House. With more planting to be done they have made an excellent start already with 300 tomato plants, twelve 200 ft. rows of pole beans, and twelve 200 ft. rows of corn. The produce will be available first to Bishops for their Wards needy, and then to members of the group.

OAKLAND MUSIC FESTIVAL

A surpassing treat is in store for all who can find room at Dimond Ward on Friday, May 16th at 7:30 P. M. Negro spirituals by Emmy Stamm, songs by Rex and Mary Bowles, some Strauss Waltzes on the violin, a reappearance of the Mormon Male Chorus, some cowboy songs are a sampling of the excellent variety of talent in the Music Festival prepared by the Oakland Stake M. I. A. Each Ward will present a number. Admission is free, but tickets should be secured from your Bishop.

DIMOND SCOUTS

A snake skin was the prize trophy of the trip to Mt. Diablo made by 10 Boy Scouts of Dimond Ward April 26, 27 and 28.

Steak, salad, soup, milk and dessert was the deluxe camp fare the Scouts prepared and served themselves. They made camp Friday night, hiked to the summit Saturday morning, saw the rock city formations in the afternoon, had a housing game of baseball, and topped off the day by finding a bull snake—alive, girls—whose skin they have preserved for their nature collection.

Committeemen Jarman Hunt and Marriner Swensen helped with transportation for this wonderfully successful trip.

Marvin Wright

Elder Wright was given a farewell testimonial at the Oakland Chapel Tuesday, May 6, on the eve of his departure for the New Zealand Mission... Marvin Wright has served long as one of the presidency of 273 Quorum of Seventy, and now of the new quorum of the Oakland Stake. Recently he has also served as Book Representative for the Oakland Stake, and in various activities in the Oakland Ward.

"Church News" News

(Why not give a year's subscription to "The Church News" for Mother's Day, for birthdays, or treat yourself to it? Ask your Ward Book Representative to send in your subscriptions. Only $3).

How many Missions does the Church maintain on the North American continent? The answer is "seventeen." They include the Navajo-Zuni, and the Spanish American, the Mexican, the Canadian, and the West Canadian Missions. Pres. and Mrs. Dilworth Young of the First Council of Seventy, have been called to preside over the New England Mission . . . The total cash budget of the Church for 1946 was $7,375,607.00. Of this total, some leading expenditures were: Missions and Missionary Work, $1,201,476.00; Stake and Ward Expenes, $1,301,790.00; Church Welfare, $665,67.00; Church Schools, $1,306,373.00; Building Operations (erection and repair of general church and stake and ward buildings), $1,037,689.00.

The number of stakes in the Church is 164, of wards 1,220, and of ward branches 120. The number of missions is 36. The Church membership is, in the stakes, 823,819; in the Missions, 172,686, a total of 996,505. Converts baptized, 5,929, children baptized, 17,597, totaling 23,508 for 1946.

The number of missionaries in the missions of the Church is 3,213, and the number of missionaries in the stakes is 2598, totaling 5,811.

The birth rate per thousand in the church in 1946 was 33.8, compared to less than 17 in the nation as a whole. The death rate among L.D.S. was 5.9 per thousand, while in the nation as a whole it was 11.2.

April 5th the corner stone of the "This is the Place" monument at the mouth of emigration canyon was laid, this day being just 100 years since the original Utah Pioneer company left Winter Quarters on the Missouri River for the West. The sculptor of the monument is Mahonri M. Young, a decendant of Brigham Young.

"This happens to be an unusual occasion for me. Seventy years ago today I came to Salt Lake City. My mother's home was just across the street west of us, and that is where I was born." Thus Pres. George Albert Smith opened the 117th Annual Conference of the Church April 14, 1947 in the Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. His address was memorable.

Eldred G. Smith was apopinted to the position of Patriarch of the Church. He is the sixth generation of his family in the Church, and of the lineage of Hyrum Smith, the Prophet's brother.

Henry D. Moyle was sustained as the new member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. Elder Moyle attended the last Berkeley Stake Conference as, at that time, President of the General Welfare Committee of the Church. He is a powerful man spiritually and in temporal matters, a convincing speaker, and mighty in the Welfare Work of the Church. A clear picture of the Twelve Apostles and another of the First Presidency as they appear today graces the pages of the "Church News" of April 12.

Each Mission of the Church is to be presided over by a presidency of three men instead of a single president. It is the mission presidents calling to look after the missionaries primarily. The new arrangement will add to his ability to do this.

Oakland Ward News

Our annual Gold and Green Ball was held in the Ward's Recreation Hall on April 18th. The spirit of the ball was carried out in the pioneer theme. Bobbie Ewald was chosen as queen and presented in a covered wagon with Oral Alexander and Lee Harper as her attendants. A waltz demonstration was presented for the queen under the instruction of Cecile Bingham. There was a splendid turnout and everyone enjoyed the dancing and refreshments.

Pharmacists Mate Donald Cochran has been confined to the Oak Knoll Hospital. We all miss him and wish him a very speedy recovery.

The annual Aaronic Priesthood dinner for the standard quorum award achievements was held on April 9th. The young ladies' and young men's officers and teachers prepared and served the dinner. Bonnie Nickoletti's dancing class presented a fine dancing program accompanied by Eloise Ogden, who also favored us with a piano solo.

A missionary farewell meeting was held Tuesday, April 29th for Elder Richard A. Bliss who has been called to serve in the New England States Mission. Dick has been very active in ward before and after his release from the Army. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Bliss who are accompanying him to the mission home in Salt Lake City.

The Bishopric have announced a change in the Sunday School Superintendency. Mervin Brown and his two counselors, Eugene Jacobs, Jr., and Wilford Easton who have served faithfully have been released. Darrel Monson has been sustained as superintendent with Wilford Easton as his first counselor and Kenneth Krey as his second counselor.

The Relief Society evening sewing class is under the direction of Sister Josephine White. The class continues to increase in attendance and now they are fortunate in having Sister Amy Doyle to assist with their tailoring. The youngest member of their group is Eugenia Buie, 13 years old. She has made a dress for herself.

Lt. Dean Ogden has recently returned home from the Army where he has spent the last year in the army of occupation in Germany. He is now home on terminal leave. We all welcome Dean home again.

Berkeley Stake Flowers

The Berkeley Stake furnished calla lilies for the decoration of the Tabernacle and Temple in Salt Lake City at the time of the April, 1947 General Conference.

The lilies were sent in two shipments, the first arriving for the first two days of conference, and the second shipment arriving for the Sunday Easter services. They added very materially to the conference, and Berkeley Stake received considerable commendation, both from general authorities and from various members of the Church.

Regional Welfare News

SACRAMENTO STOREHOUSE

Actual work was started last week on the construction of a modern storehouse and cannery for the Sacramento Stake. Concrete pouring of the foundation was begun Monday under the direction of Contractor Raymond and Construction Foreman Prince.

CORDUROY SUPPLIED

Nearly 600 yards of corduroy material has been supplied by the General Church Welfare Committee from Salt Lake to the Relief Societies of the Northern California Region. This has been alloted to the stakes for fashioning into trousers and coveralls, according to Regional Director Ruth S. Hilton, as part of the 1947 welfare budget and will become part of a backlog of clothing for the needy in this area.

WELFARE WORKERS

All stake and ward welfare workers of the San Francisco Stake met in the Sunset Ward Chapel Thursday evening, April 24 and the fundamentals, aims and objectives of the "welfare program" were discussed by the Stake Presidencies and Regional Chairman W. Aird Macdonald. "This program is the practical application of the second great commandment as stated by Jesus—'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself'', said President Macdonald. "It is practical Christianity in action."

GRIDLEY STAKE

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Boy Scout News

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The size of this Pioneer Centennial Scout Camp is necessarily limited to approximately 5000 Scouts and leaders. But Berkeley and Oakland Stakes will be represented by some of the world's finest Scouts. The high standards that will have to be attained include: First Class or better, satisfactory Church participation in the Aaronic Priesthood S. S. and M.I.A., so as to meet approval of the ward and scout leaders, keeping the Word of Wisdom, 100 per cent officially uniformed with all badges and insignia properly worn.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTHLAND

(From the Inter-Mountain News)

A travel bureau in Los Angeles offers a ten-day Centennial Tour by Pullman chartered train from Los Angeles to Utah and return, via Boulder Dam, Los Vegas, Zion, Bryce, and Cedar Breaks Parks, and five days in Salt Lake City, July 22 to 26, returning by way of Reno, Lake Tahoe, and San Francisco, meals and hotels all included for $272. At least they go at it in the regal way!

Mr. and Mrs. Orson H. Hewlett, former Utah manufacturer, but for many years a leader in southern stakes, recently celebrated their wedding anniversary.

Pres. David H. Cannon has just completed a series of ten lectures on the Gospel of Jesus Christ, lectures that were delivered at ten different wards. Many investigators and missionaries followed the series with interest.

Some Utah news items include: A four-page paper is now being published monthly by the Utah State Department of Publicity and Industrial Development. At request, the department will be glad to place the name of any adult on its mailing list. Address the Atlas Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Southern California saints have a Music Club that meets monthly at the homes of members. It is called the Sempre Musical Society.

Deseret Industries is going strong, is an interstake business, and gives work to many L.D.S. not otherwise employable.

A play "What Doeth It Profit" by the playrights, Nathan and Ruth Hale depicts the life of a Mormon family in southern Utah. This play has been purchased by the M.I.A. for use throughout the Church. It will be presented in Utah during the Centennial celebrations, and is now being presented in southern California stake houses.

Cavendish W. Cannon of Utah has been appointed by President Truman as ambassador to Yugoslavia.

Sacramento

The Award Banquets for the Aaronic Priesthood was held Mar. 21. It was well attended and a very excellent menu and program made it a very enjoyable affair. Twelve group awards were presented to the various groups by W. Aird McDonald, Regional Director of the Welfare plan, and former Stake Pres. of the Oakland Stake.

The L. D. S. Girls' Banquet, held March 31 was for the Mothers and Daughters of the Stake. It was the first Girls' Award Banquet to be held. Approximately three hundred mothers and daughters from Modesto to Roseville were in attendance. Eight group awards were earned by the girls of the stake, beside a goodly number of individual awards. President Stephen E. Busath made the presentation. The very excellent program and enjoyable evening were arranged by the Stake L. D. S. Girls' Committee, composed of Ruth Ostegar, Louise Franden, Alfarette Liddle, and Ruby Altop, assisted by the various ward organizations.

The Stake M. I. A. "Music Festival," which was held Friday evening, April 4th.

Sacramento Stake was well represented at the semi-annual Conference of the Church in Salt Lake City, on April 4th to 6th. Beside the usual number of Stake and Ward leaders, three young couples, with their families and friends made the trip to Utah to me married in the Salt Lake Temple. They were: Curtis Dean Draper and Marva Haag of the Homestead Ward; Jack Farragher and Betty Halem, of the Sutter and Arcade Wards, respectively; and Bill Fox and Joyce Harris of Homestead. Congratulations to these splendid young couples.

Miss Joy Holbrook was crowned queen of the Stake Green and Gold Ball which was held in the Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento on March 28th. The large hall was beautifully decorated, the main feature of the decorations being a minature of the Salt Lake Temple, which was made of tin foil and stood over six feet high. A very interesting highlight of the entertainment was a group of "Exposition Dances" which depicted dancing over the last century.

San Leandro

Our ward was very well represented at all session of the Oakland Stake Conference held on Sunday, April 13th under the direction of Apostle Joseph Fielding Smith, of the Council of the Twelve, church historian, and President of the Salt Lake Temple.

Sacrament meeting April 20th, it was our pleasure to be visited by Eugene S. Hilton, Stake President, Delbert Wright of the Stake Presidency, and Donald Bennion of the Stake High Council. Each of the visitors spoke with stimulating enthusiasm upon the erection of our Stake Tabernacle. Such a project will require the united effort and willingness of every member in the Stake. The buildings will consist of a Stake Tabernacle Auditorium, Recreation Hall, and a separate Chapel. "A monument for the present and the future generations".

Sacrament meeting, April 27, very interesting reports of the conference in Salt Lake City, were given by J. Newell Christensen, and Herbert J. Marsh . . . The musical numbers furnished by the Music Committee this month have been very fine.

At the Gold and Green Ball held cojointly with Elmhurst Ward, April 11th, Afton Hollows, San Leandro Ward was crowned queen by David Chamberlain 2nd Councillor to the Bishop; Penny Moody was Crown Bearer, Richard Stamps and Evelyn Eccles, Train bearers; Carol Davidson, Betty Jo Goodman, May Wells and Marilyn Ostler, attendants.

Marilyn Ostler and Dick Carillo represented our ward in Exhibition dance at the Stake Gold and Green Ball.

Closing M. I. A. party was held April 29th with games, dancing and refreshments. An active M. I. A. Summer program has been planned . . . We regret loosing Max Hansen, the activity leader, who has moved to Eugene, Oregon . . . Relief Society is actively engaged in their untiring efforts. The unsung heroes of every ward and home, are these fine women . . . The Elders Quorum is completing plans for a very active season of projects.

Historian Requests Help

By Leo J. Muir

For more than two years I have been engaged in the compilation of a historical volume entitled "A Century of Mormon Activities in California." Thus far progress has been gratifying.

One chapter of this book—and it may well be the very heart of the work—is written under the caption, "Who's Who Citations Among Mormon Californians." Already we have written several hundred citations for this chapter. The citations begin with Sam Brannan and Jefferson Hunt. They cover a century of time, and they cover the State of California from North to South.

Since no fee is collected for these citations, we are free to make them upon merit only. Our chief problem is that we shall not omit any member of our group—male or female—who has arisen to a place of success or distinction in the civic, political, industrial, educational, professional, musical or the entertainment life of the State of California and its communities.

Accordingly I am making this appeal in the two organs of L. D. S. publicity best known to me: "The California Intermountain News" of Los Angeles and "The Messenger" of Oakland and Berkeley Stakes. I shall be happy to hear from any individual who considers himself or herself a proper candidate for a citation in this chapter or who wishes to nominate some relative, friend or acquaintance for such citation. Act promptly, give name and address of individual desiring, or nominated for a citation. I shall then communicate with such individuals, requesting the information needed for the citation.

This chapter will be one of the notable testaments of the vitality of Mormonism and of the genius, leadership and enterprise of Mormon people.

I shall be greatful for any cooperation that may come as a result of this solicitation. Please act today, while it is on your mind.

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Note: This man is a former stake President, Mission President, High State Superintendent of Schools, and author of three popular books.

L.D.S. Business House

Of course we'd noticed that the Houston Furniture and Appliance Store on the corner of 42nd and Telegraph had enlarged and modernized in January last, but we had no idea that this great store of sixty-foot frontage was an L. D. S. business. Then came the March Liahona Club dinner at the Coit Hotel, and the new name of "Houston"; on the way home we spotted his store. A few stores away are two other former Utahns, Charles Mills, sewing machine renovator, and the Caldwell Barber and Beauty Parlor; across the street and a few doors further north is "Bill" Banks' Furniture Exchange, and up where Shattuck branches from Telegraph stands Wendell Grow's large auto service corner. Down at 4117 is the one professional in this group of six, Dr. Kenneth R. Krey, the dentist. Quentin Taylor is barbering on Telegraph Avenue, across the road from the car barns.

In mid-April we called on W.H. Houston at his store and learned that he is Alameda raised, California born of Utah parents who came to the Oroville section when their parents came on railroad construction contract work. "W. H." spent ten years with Hale Brothers in the furniture, linoleum and appliance departments, following this with six years on his own as a floor covering contractor. Four years ago he opened the smaller appliance store at 4201 Telegraph which has now expanded into the truly striking, modernized furniture, appliance, linoleum and paint store. While his home is on a ten-acre Concord plot, his mother's home in Alameda is still also his "home" frequently.

Vallejo Ward News

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Powell are the proud parents of a darling baby daughter, Leslie, who arrived on Easter Sunday, April 6.

On April 23, at the Vallejo Ward, the 339th Quorum of Seventies entertained their partners at a lovely buffet supper and an evening of games and dancing. Preceding the party the Seventies held a Quorum meeting with Kenneth M. Lewis as speaker.

We extend best wishes to Dr. Max Reed who has opened an optometry office at 803 First Street in Benicia. He is a brother of Frank Reed and a former resident of Salt Lake City.

After a two year absence, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Williams are welcomed back as members of the Vallejo Ward.

In a setting of spring flowers and a lovely May Pole, the M. I. A. entertained at their May Day dance. A large crowd witnessed the coronation ceremony at which Eleanor Rodrigo was crowned "Queen of the May" by the Young Men's President, Otto Mathews.

Land near the church is being prepared for the planting of vegetables by the Priesthood groups. This is to be a welfare project.

The Primary children and teachers arrayed in costumes which added color to their conference program presented an outstanding Sunday service. Amidst a setting of covered wagons, mountains, sage brush, and a lake the children told true stories of the early pioneers.

The Vallejo Ward is proud of their musical talent. At our recent quarterly conference the Relief Society Singing Mothers, led by Mrs. Almeda Nielsen presented the chir music for the morning and afternoon sessions, and the Mutual M. Men and Gleaner choruses, led by Clarence Lewis, furnished the music at the evening session.

The M. I. A. music directors, Sarah Neerings and Clarence Lewis, presented an unusually fine Song Festival. A Centennial theme was carried out in five parts depicting the works of composers who lived prior to the pioneers, folk music from Native lands, music created by the pioneers, songs written for the gospel restoration and a scene prepared by Mrs. Neerings showing the pioneers on the plains singing their old fashioned hymns.

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The Singing Mothers gave a farewell party and handkerchief shower in honor of Jeanette Demars who is returning to her home in Salt Lake City. Sister Demars has been the accompanist for the Singing Mothers since their organization, and will be greatly missed for her talent and cooperation and beautiful personality.

Monday, May 5. The Bishopric and wives gave a party for the retiring officers and teachers of the M. I. A. The new officers will be announced later.

Tuesday, May 6. The Gleaner Girls gave a lovely banquet honoring their Mothers. The M-Men did the serving.

The closing party of the Mutual Associations was held Friday, May 2. A large crowd attended and enjoyed themselves very much.

John and Phyllis Schaeffer have sold their home in El Sobrante and have gone back to live on their farm in Missouri.

Former Bishop Alma Mortensen and wife have left for a three months tour of the middle states.

Mrs. Maria Rassmusen, who has been a great worker in our Relief Society's sewing budget has gone to Copenhagen, Denmark for a six months visit with her people . . . The death of Mrs. Kitty Nichols came as a great shock to the sisters of the ward; she too was a wonderful worker. These two ladies were not members of the Church but are greatly beloved by all.

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F. Leon Edlefsen, formerly the youngest stake bishop in Richmond, who went to Salt Lake City in 1942 as Chief Accountant for the Church Welfare Program, and who served in the army during the war, has now returned to the East Bay, living at 1600 Grove St., Berkeley. At present he is office manager and chief accountant for the Atlas Chemical Company in San Francisco, and evenings is attending the Golden Gate Evening Law School under the G. I. Bill. Welcome to the Edlefsens.

Alvin Cheshire, fromer bishop of Vallejo, and Elder R. A. Dow of Vallejo, have been spending a glorified vacation together in Mexico. A postal card April 4 from Acapulco informs us that they had visited Mexico City and a large number of other cities of our neighborhood nation.

Lund A. Johnson, formerly bishop of Dimond, writes from his home in Minneapolis ordering a subscription to the Messenger, and sending greetings to all friends, adding that they are looking forward to the day when they may return to the bay region. His address is 4854 Thomas Ave., Minneapolis, 10, Minnesota.

Twins came to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Krey, the recently established dentist on Telegraph Ave.

Our good friend Louis Peterson, the public accountant of Oakland, reminds all that in business as well as in life in general, "Out of the books shall ye be judged." Good records are absolutely essential to permanent business success.

The April 6th Centennial edition of the Salt Lake City Tribune was an immense issue of 128 pages, 48 of which were in color or sepia pictures, and six articles with abundant illustrations were by Prof. Levi Edgar Young. It surveys the entire state of Utah and every city and section and the major industries and businesses. The quality of material, and the excellence of general make-up and photography have never been reached by any Oakland paper we have seen in twenty-five years. Sad to say the entire edition has been exhausted and none can be purchased. Several local people have received copies from friends in Salt Lake City. It is a pictorial parade of memorials, and scenic beauty. Old pioneer families have helped with old photographs, especially Mrs. John F. Bennett who placed the entire Bennett collection of old photographs for the use of the Trbiune for this edition. We thank Mrs. F. J. Parsons for the loan of her copy to The Messenger.

Mr. and Mrs. John Abersold, formerly members of Berkeley Ward while John was completing his work on hte doctorate thesis in chemistry, were visitors recently. John is remembered for his stake board work, and both for their loyal help in Church work.

President Delbert Wright has sold his home on Detroit Street, Oakland, but have taken another house in Oakland. We hear that they eventually plan to build permanently in the Orinda or Lafayette section. The Nathan Tolmans are building in Orinda.

Lloyd Johnson of the Berkeley Stake High Council was laid up because of an accident during April when a small tractor dragging disks overturned on him. Two fractures of the pelvic bones will keep Brother Johnson in bed for a couple of months, we under stand. The prayers and good wishes of all go out to "Lloyd." Fortuneately Sister Johnson has been associated with him in the conduct of their "Lura Glo" laboratories, and will, no doubt, be able to be great help at this time. We wish them both well.

Another New Business

C. Wayne Stone (Oakland Ward) is going again in the business of upholstering. Result: a new East Bay business at 1807 Alcatraz Ave., in South Berkeley, employing also Sarah Toole (Oakland Ward) as seamstress and cutter, part time.

Twenty-five years ago "Wayne" Stone began to learn upholstering, first in Salt Lake City and later in Los Angeles with the great house of W. and J. Sloan, and also with Bullocks. Torpedoed at sea during World War II in the South Atlantic, Brother Stone was injured, and a year passed before he was declared ship-shape again. Now, back in civilian life, he is starting over once more, and is ready to serve all and sundry with "fine professional craftsmanship."

D. A. Stone, former bishop of Aberdeen, Idaho and now at age 80, still active in church work in Stockton, lecturing and showing colored pictures he took on a tour last year to old L.D.S. historic sites, is the father of Wayne, while Wayne's wife is the former Fern Boice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Boice (Oakland Ward) who just celebrated their sixty-second wedding anniversary, being the parents of eleven living sons and daughters.

No. California Mission News

By Elder D. W. Hadfield
Secty., No. Calif. Mission

There are now 126 full-time missionaries laboring in this mission in comparison with a total of 36 at this time last year. New fields of labor have been opened up. On February 7, 1937 Yreka Branch of the Rogue River district was organized with Merlin S. Huntsman as president. This is the 43rd branch in the mission in the nine districts. Regular monthly Union meetings are being held where the officers and teachers of the branches throughout the district meet to receive help.

Building plans are going full speed ahead. Building sites have been purchased, and the members are now waiting for certified plans and permits from the Government. Chapels in Redding and Santa Rosa, as also in Grant's Pass are showing rapid progress. Chapels in Klamath Falls, Mt. Hebron and in Ione are awaiting dedications.

More than 250 people attended the "Search for Talent Show" sponsored by the Placerville Branch, and held there February 7, 1947. Sisters Vivian Barton and Arlene Knudsen, full-time missionaries were in charge, assisted by Pres. and Mrs. John B. Hawkes, who are also missionaries.

The week of February 24 to 29 saw the completion of a project sponsored by the Latter-day Saints in Placerville. During their tracting the missionaries gathered for information to compile a directory for the city of Placerville. 2200 copies were printed and distributed to every home in Placerville and the surrounding communities. The "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints" appears on the cover. From the sale of advertisements, the project netted $1600 towards the Placerville Building Fund. During the week of February 24 to 29, alone, 60 Book of Mormons were distributed to non-member's homes there by the missionaries as a result of this project. Pres. John B. Hawkes originated the idea and acted as supervisor of the activity.

An L. D. S. Church basketball team, composed of full-time missionaries of the No. Calif. Mission laboring in Fresno district, won the tournament in which approximately 30 teams participated representing various denominations in the city of Fresno.

The Gold and Green Balls throughout the No. Calif. Mission have been among the outstanding activities held during the current year by the M. I. A. Notable were those held in Placerville, Exeter, and Santa Rosa to each of which were attracted over 200 non-members. With the coming of the summer many more outstanding activities in our M. I. A. organization are expected.

Richmond Ward

The two counsellors in the ward bishopric, Wallace Wightman and Ernest E. Bourne, and Charlie Saxton gave the deacons of the ward a treat Saturday afternoon, May 3, when they directed their activities at an outing at the Rod and Gun Club. Among the very popular activities of the day was the swimming hour.

The Aaronic Priesthood recently held a grand party from 5 to 9 p. m. at the Richmond Rod and Gun Club, and everyone is looking for more of the same kind.

Wallace J. Wightman of the bishopric is directing a large and ambitious ward project whereby the various quorums and auxiliaries of the ward will divide up the task of improving the ward chapel . . . The Primary Association officers and children have planted a beautiful Centennial shrub on the grounds of the ward chapel in honor of the Utah pioneers whose centennary is being celebrated this year. The Primary presidency is composed of Alvera Copeland, president with Lula Borkman and Delfa Kersey as counsellors . . . Our Sunday School Superintendency is doing an efficient work for the ward. They are Clyde Sullivan, Superintendent, with Earl Labrum and Basil Matthews as counsellors.

Our Relief Society is doing a marvelous work on their Welfare Budget, and are greatly appreciative of the help of Sister Andrews and all the sisters.

L.D.S. Institute News

INSTITUTE DIRECTORS CONFERENCE IN S.L.C.

On April 4 in Salt Lake City in conjunction with regular April Conference the Directors of all Institutes of Religion met in a special four-hour session. The meeting regenerated those who attended, according to George Boyd, who represented the Berkeley Institute.

CULTURAL PROGRAM

The second of the current semester's series of cultural programs was held Sunday, April 20 at the Institute, conducted by Ann Wood. Recordings were played of Edna St. Vincent Millet, reading selections from her own poetry; Maurice Evans' interpretation of Hamlet, and the 3rd Movement of the Symphony in D Minor by Cesar Franck and the Firebird Suite by Igor Stravisky.

INSTITUTE RECORD DANCE

A dance was held with the members of the Alpha Chapter of Lambda Delta Sigma as hosts on Friday, April 11, in the club rooms of the Institute.

The main purpose of the evening was to give the members of both chapters an opportunity to become better acquainted, but in order to gain entrance, each couple brought a record to increase the music library of Lambda Delta Sigma. Thus it was a party with a two-fold purpose.

INFORMAL DOINGS

Bringing their social activities for April to a close, the members of Lambda Delta Sigma had a full day on April 26: baseball in the afternoon, a buffet supper at the Institute, and an evening of dancing, with ping pong as a side attraction.

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The regular monthly dinner of the Liahona Club was held in the usual place, the Coit Hotel on Harrison Street, Oakland, Monday, April 28th, on the accustomed fourth Monday in the month. Vice-President Heber J. Brown presided in the absence of President William H. Evans, who was out of the city on business. Herb Van Noys, Vice-President in charge of membership, called the attention of the group to the need of cooperation in handing in the names and addresses of prospective new members to his committee. The proper procedure of inviting prospects to the monthly dinner and of first clearing with the committee was called to the Club's attention in conformity with the by-laws.

Thomas S. Ferguson introduced the speaker of the evening, Harold Gaisford. Harold has been well known in the East Bay because of his ward and stake work, but the thing that surprised most of his friends was that he had had the interesting experience of serving as a liason officer for the U. S. State Department in receiving and furnishing transportation to the foreign delegates to the United Nations Conference in San Francisco. Harold had up to that time been serving in the air service of the army, in which branch he now holds the rank of major in the reserve corps. He is at present connected with KLX. Harold told of the many experiences and character observations he was able to make of the great ones of the nation, Molotov, Anthony Eden and the rest. His word pictures of the dramatics of those memorable sessions were most interesting and impressive.

Harry Kimball, special agent of F.B.I. in San Francisco, was announced as the May dinner speaker.

Gridley Stake News

25 Gridley Stake held one of the most lovely events in all its history April 25th in the Chico Memorial Hall—a Pioneer Ball. Details of the party were handled by the Chico Ward M. I. A. Officers. The hall was beautifully decorated, paper covered wagons surrounded the hall with a campfire in the center. The majority of the large crowd attending did so in costume. A fine program was presented during the evening running concurrently with the dancing to a good string orchestra. The party was from 8 to 11 p. m. and hardly a person went home until after the benediction of clasped hands circling the large hall. A great party to be remembered for our pioneers in the Gridley Stake and Church.

The M Men and Gleaners are looking forward to their trip to the bay area for another convention the weekend of May 30th.

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Wm. H. Evans

William H. Evans is currently serving as president of the Liahona Club of which he was one of the original organizers. He has always been active in advancing worthy projects as the first Stake Art Exhibit, and the revival of The Messenger, besides being president of the Oakland Stake genealogical committee. His extensive business as a wholesale dealer in blankets is well known throughout the Western States.

Business News Notes

D. A. Harris of Vallejo, important associate in a large Vallejo undertaking business, is a counsellor in the ward bishopric in Vallejo.

A new kind of brake-lining, not using rivets with their tendency to scour the brake-drums, is announced by C. Tracy Stout, the well known tire dealer in Berkeley.

Elmer Harker, building contractor living in Claremont Ward, is teaming up with Jos. E. Eyring, the realtor, in constructing much-needed homes in Berkeley. One is on Terrace Drive near The Arlington. Walter Barrett of Berkeley has now joined the Eyring Sales group.

The church members in the East Bay have become so used to securing their church books at the various chapel book tables that the L.D.S. bookstore, the Kolob Company in Berkeley, has retired from that field. Bro. Bourne, however, will continue to supply garments by mail. His address is 664 So. 15th Street, Apt D, Richmond.

John O. Krage of Maxwell Park Ward, specialist in orthopedic shoe work and expert shoe repairer, has recently become proprietor of the Collin's Shoe Repair Shop in one of those busy shopping centers on Foothill Blvd., 5858 Foothill; while our good friend, Don J. Allphin, has recently modernized his popular store in the same block, 5836 Foothill.

Curt Campbell's Albany Ford Agency has recently greatly enlarged its office space, show room, and auto parts department. Mark Bingham and Curt Campbell, both former Ogden boys, are more than delighted at these added conveniences.

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Don't you recall that this same "Some One" said that most of those who begin to follow Him will "fall by the wayside" before their lives are over?

It's been true with you, has it? And for how many other fine people like you? (None of us can be too sure of ourselves up to the gates of death).

You know He was right, then, don't you; that He read our human natures like a book; that He knew perfectly how relatively few people are capable of long continued loyalty to the best that is in them and to the Divine Cause.

Did you every really ponder the parable of the Sower? You know that some seed fell by the wayside and "the fowls of the air came and devoured it up;" some of the seed fell on stony ground, grew up rapidly, but because it had no root it withered away; some seed fell among thorns which choked it and it yielded no fruit; and only a fourth part fell on good ground, yielding some thirty, some sirty, some a hundred fold.

Rather a sad figure, that Sower, don't you think? So liberal with good seed, but so much inhospitable soil to waste the seed.

True as truth itself, however; exactly true to life as you've seen it, isn't it?

Do you recall that same sorrowing Sower a little later, standing lonely on a hill, weeping over Jerusalem? It was this some Sower, now saddened by His scant harvest of "fruit", at the great waste of good seed?

The "Some One" who gave the world the parable of the Sower, hasn't He left each of us the problem of figuring just where we fit into this warning parable?

He sows the seed, but doesn't He leave us individually the responsibility of keeping a suitable seed bed? Have we kept a hard, a stony, a thorny, or a "good-ground" seed bed? Has the Good Seed had a chance so far? Can't we see to it from this moment onward, that it shall have rich, warm, and deep "good ground" with every chance of yielding back to Him, "some thirty, some sixty, some a hundred fold"?

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Dimond Ward News

Happiness and best wishes to Wendell and Margie Seager Jackson who were married April 2, in the Idaho Falls Temple and spent their honeymoon in Salt Lake . . . Congratulations to these proud parents of April babies: Mary and Lewis Shurtleff, Phyl and Evelyn Hilton—girls; Emma and Ken Mathison, Marge and Duane Crooks, Bob and Marilyn Smith, Ronnie and Max Clark—boys . . . The Bishop reports that the ward welfare fund raised at our recent bazaar was over $1000.00 profit. Many thanks and much appreciation to all who helped make it such a success . . . The M. I. A. had a fine closing party April 29. Doughnuts and milk were served after a program and several games and dancing. This was the last M. I. A. meeting until next fall . . . The Primary held a successful conference May 4 much to the delight of children, teachers and a large attendance . . . Gail Cragun is home on leave and he and Florence and young son recently returned from a grand trip to Washington, Canada, Idaho and Utah . . . It is good to see Gene Humphery home and discharged from the service . . . The Relief Society was hostess April 29 to Relief Societies of the Stake at a musical and book review. Margaret Bennion reviewed "Immortal Wife" and refreshments were served to one hundred-fifty women . . . Our prayers are with Brother George Pearson who is very ill; we hope he will soon be well . . . Remember mothers! A special Mother's Day program Sunday, May 11; try to come . . . The 3rd quorum of elders has undertaken to build a fence around the newly acquired property back of the church . . . Scouts! The Camporette will be held on the 17 and 18 of May at Apple Orchard in Redwood Canyon. It is to prepare for and qualify to appear at the Camporee on June 7 and 8 at the same place . . . Court of Honor for Berkeley and Oakland Stakes will be held on Wednesday, May 21 in the evening on the Tabernacle grounds. The ceremony will be held by light of the Camp Fire and everyone is invited.

Walnut Creek

Walnut Creek was well represented at the Relief Society Conference at San Francisco, and Union Meeting in Berkeley.

Many tributes were paid to the pioneers at the Primary Conference. All of the Primary children and teachers were dressed in pioneer regalia. This lovely program was given with an outdoor setting.

A double baby shower was given in honor of Sister Elaine Jensen and Sister Virginia Uffens at the Ranker residence in Happy Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Hanson are enjoying the arrival of their first born, (a boy).

Sister Jensen and Sister Uffens were released with a vote of thanks for their diligent work in the Primary. Sister Betty Jo Gilwix was sustained as teacher in the primary.

Three baptismals were performed this month: Linda and George Uffens and Janet Fritsch.

A blessing and name was given to Nancy Joan Burroughs, the first child of Mr. and Mrs. Burroughs of Saranap.

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Morning Session

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be there. Every member of the Church living the gospel will radiate a spirit to others. We cannot do the things the people of the world are doing and have that spirit. Those who hate us will respect us if we live the principles.

"Our people, in large numbers, are getting so wrapped up in worldly pursuits, they are forgetting to pray frequently enough. We should pray in the morning, as well as at night. We came to this world seeking the Kingdom of God."

He reminded us of the revelation stating that if we keep the commandments with a cheerful countenance, the good things of the earth will be ours.

"We should keep the commandments for selfish reasons—so we will return to the presence of the Father. When there is wickedness there is withdrawal of blessings. 'He that seeketh me early shall find me and shall not be forsaken.' Little children at the mother's knee should be assited in seeking the Lord."

If we do not seek the Lord in time of prosperity and success, he may be slow to respond in time of our need. Draw near unto the Lord and he will always be near at hand. He stated he recently received a letter asking why we have no miracles in the Church today. Brother Smith's reply was that we have miracles every day. He pointed out that we do not publicize the miracles, but they occur.

"The cup of iniquity in the earth is about full. Wickedness prevails. The flood at the time of Noah covered the whole earth and constituted a baptism of the earth. The next cleansing will be by fire and the wicked will perish. Then will be the new earth—and the millenium."

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Alameda Ward News

Sister LaVina Holdaway, our very faithful Librarian, fell in her home on April 28 fracturing her arm. Her many friends are wishing for her a speedy recovery.

Edgar Fink has been sustained as secretary in the Aaronic Priesthood. Recently he was baptized and became a member of the church. Bonnie Lee, daughter of Elaine and Atwell Parry, arrived at Nampa, Idaho, April 11, weighing eight pounds, four ounces. She is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Don Hughes.

Sister Fannie Bessie has been chosen as Chairman of the Girl's Committee replacing June Christensen.

Joyce Yeaman and Gordon Swanson plan to be married May 11 by Bishop Thys Winkel in the Chapel of the Flowers.

Helen Johnson became the bride of Jack Allen of Compton, Calif., on May 9th at the home of her mother, Mrs. Josephine Johnson in Provo, Utah. The ceremony was followed by a reception. The couple plan to reside in Alameda.

With grateful appreciation, Relief Society members accepted the invitation extended by Dimond Ward to meet with them April 29.

At the Gold and Green Ball held April 17 in the Adelphian Hall, Dorothy Lane was chosen Alameda queen. She also represented Alameda Gleaners at the Stake event, April 25.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green who were married last month in the Manti Temple. Bill is active in the Elder's Quorum and Mrs. Green (the former Eileen Addison) has been faithful both as a teacher in Sunday School and Mutual.

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Oakland Stake Calendar

May

May 2	Tabernacle Benefit Program	Oakland	8:00
May 3	Stake Swarm Nite	Dimond	7:30
May 3	Junior Mothers' and Daughters' Reception	Rankers Home	2:00 to 4:00
May 6	Maxwell Park Drama	Maxwell	7:30
May 7	Maxwell Park Drama	Dimond	7:30
May 8	Maxwell Park Drama	Elmhurst	7:30
May 9	Stake Drama Festival	Oakland	8:00
May 10	M-Men Gleaner Party—Two Stakes	Service Men's Home	8:30
May 16	Stake Music Festival	Dimond	8:00
May 23	Stake Assembly Dance	Oakland	8:30
May 24	Beehive and Scout Outing		
May 24	Drama—Oakland Ward	Elmhurst	8:00
May 30, 31, June 1	M-Men Gleaner Conference	San Francisco Stake House	

Berkeley Stake Calendar

May

May 16	Primary Union Meeting	Berkeley Ward	1:30
May 16	M.I.A. Musical Festival	Berkeley Chapel	8:00
May 21	S.S. Stake Board Meeting	Berkeley Ward	7:30
May 23	Primary Stake Award Night	Berkeley Chapel	7:30
May 24	Rehearsal Relief Society Centennial Program	Berkeley Chapel	2:00
May 25	Stake Leadership Meeting	Berkeley Chapel	2:00
May 30, 31, June 1	No. California M-Men and Gleaners' 3-Day Convention	Sunset Ward, San Francisco	
June 4	M.I.A. Board Meeting	Berkeley Ward	8:00
June 6	M.I.A. Dance Festival	Berkeley Chapel	8:00

Genealogical Exchange

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The term "data" as used in this column signifies request for ancestry with dates and locations. We invite your oc-operation.

Send all queries and answers to Mrs. Leone Dailey, 2020 Grove Street, Oaklan 9, Calif., or phone Highgate 3296.

Q-30—Data of Henry Chibnall, born 26 Mar. 1818, London, England; and of his wife, Sarah Pauson, born 26 Sept. 1821, London. Came to America 1857. Had following children: William Henry, Sarah Ann, Mary Ann, Richard, Henry, born England; Emma Jane, b. Rochester, N.Y., Luella Elizabeth, b. Erie, Penn.

Q-31—Data of John M. Rockhold, b. 13 Dec. 1806, and of his wife, Mary J., b. 3 July 1813. Their daughter, Lucy Catherine, b. 16 Oct. 1847, d. 7 July 1874, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, she md. William Henry Chibnall named above.

Q-32—Data of Philip Lesser, Sr., b. 9 July 1807 in Alsace, Germany, and of his wife Magdalene Fehlman, b. 5 May 1805. They had the following children: Philip Jr., Lawrence, b. Alsace; Matthias Edwin, Mary Ann, John, born Warren, Penn. The family came to America in 1838.

Q-33—Data of Jacob Schirck, Sr., b. 21 Feb. 1778 in Switzerland, md. 1815 to Margaret Giesselbrecht, b. 28 Sept. 1795, Muterscholtz, Alsace, France. They had the following children: Jacob Jr., Margaret, Michael, Casper, Magdalena, b. Alsace; Mary, Barbara, born America. The family came to America 1834, settling in Yankee Bush, Warren County, Penn.

Aid in Genealogical Research . . .

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other large genealogical libraries in the East, so they can make more rapid progress, and do more exact work that you or I could do it. Mrs. Minnie Ellsworth has long been available to do such work, and now we have another good sister whose family arrangements make it possible for her to do work for us at very reasonable rates, work which in most cases we ourselves have not the skill and the time to do properly. This sister has the necessary certification and qualifications from the Church Genealogical Society in Salt Lake City and will have Eastern as well as California connections and facilities for expert research. She will alternate between the S. F. and the Los Angeles libraries as the cases demand, and will secure the needed volumes on loan from the great Eastern libraries. Well over fifteen year's experience in genealogical research and study have fitted Sister Leonora J. Hill of 1632½ Delaware Street, Berkeley, 3, for this vital work for the dead—and equally vital for our own salvation.

Mrs. Hill is planning a two weeks' trip to Los Angeles early in June, and will do research for any who would care to avail themselves of her services at that time. Please consult her as soon as possible in order that the data you now have may be organized. This will save much valuable time during the period she is in Los Angeles.

Elmhurst Ward

The Gold and Green Ball held April 4, was a great success. Ruth Osmond was chosen queen and was very lovely in a white evening gown. Her attendants were Jean Bates and Velma Bowerbank. Crown bearer was Marilyn Healy, and train bearers were Georgeanne Williams and Douglas Brown.

The M. I. A. officers wish to thank everyone for their cooperation during the season. Mabel Jensen was given a big surprise when 14 members who have been attending her painting and art class, gave a party for her and presented her with a gift of appreciation.

Relief Society officers attended the San Francisco Convention.

Primary officers are all very busy preparing for their Conference May 4. Come and see what they are doing for the children.

Bishop Shaw gave a splendid report on the Conference in Salt Lake and concluded his remarks by giving this message, "Do not seek after manifestations, but walk in Faith, and obey the admonitions of our living Prophets." Brother Stewart of the Stake High Council was in attendance and also gave some interesting remarks.

The Elmhurst and San Leandro Melchizedek Priesthood held a delightful party April 19. The evening was spent in dancing, games and a program and decorations were in keeping with the Centennial spirit.

We are glad to see Brother Wimmer out again and improving after a severe illness.

Richard Murphy and Jean Bates surprised their friends by announcing their marriage, which took place in Reno. Richard is the son of Clarke and Goldey Murphy, and Jean is the daughter of Lawrence and Delia Bates.

Maxwell Park

The first Sunday in May was set for our Primary Conference. The theme was "Our Pioneers", and the children presented a splendid program as a tribute to those people to whom we owe so much.

The evening of May 15 (3rd Thursday) a Cottage Meeting will be held at the home of Brother and Sister Earl, 2906 Abbey Street. Everyone interested in Geneological work is urged to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Harkins announce the engagement of their daughter Mardell to Mr. Paul Whitten. The wedding date is set for May 25th. The ceremony will be performed at the Chapel of the Chimes, followed by a reception at the home of the brides parents.

As we come to the end of our M. I. A. year, we can look back with pride on the many achievements.

A social was held Tuesday evening April 29th. The Drama group under the direction of Barbara Martin will present the three act play, "It Shall Keep Thee". It will be presented Tuesday evening, May 6th at Maxwell Park, May 7th Dimond, May 8th Elmhurst. A silver offering will be asked and the proceeds will go to the Building Fund.

Ruth Williams was chosen "Spirirt of M. I. A." at the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Green and Gold Ball. The honor was given because of her splendid record. She is a Golden Gleaner.

Martinez Ward News

Over the week end of April 26 & 27 the Scouts enjoyed a two day camping trip at Scout Knoll in Rankin Park, in preparation for the Annual Camporee. The boys and their scoutmaster, Leslie Korth, took time out from camp duties, Sunday morning, to attend church, which is a scout requirement.

The Adult Aaronic Priesthood group is working steadily to finish the scout room and the class room in the basement of the Martinez Ward Chapel.

The Welfare group has renewed it's efforts to finish the Welfare building, hoping to have it completed in the near future. Brother Norman Creer is now Chairman of this project. The finance committee is planning to call on the various families, in the very near future, to discuss the purpose of the building, etc.

Andy Easton Jr. was elected president of the Junior Fireside group, at the meeting held April 20, in the home of Nelson Wadsworth. The election of other officers elected are as follows: Barbara Roskelly, secretary; Sharon Dolan and Jo Anne Knowles, music; and Don Robison, special interest. The meetings are to be held each Sunday evening at the homes of the different members.

Brother and Sister Haslem are receiving congratulations on the birth of a new daughter, born in the month of April.

Brother Lloyd Johnson had a serious accident a few weeks ago. He is home now, but will be confined to his bed for some time.

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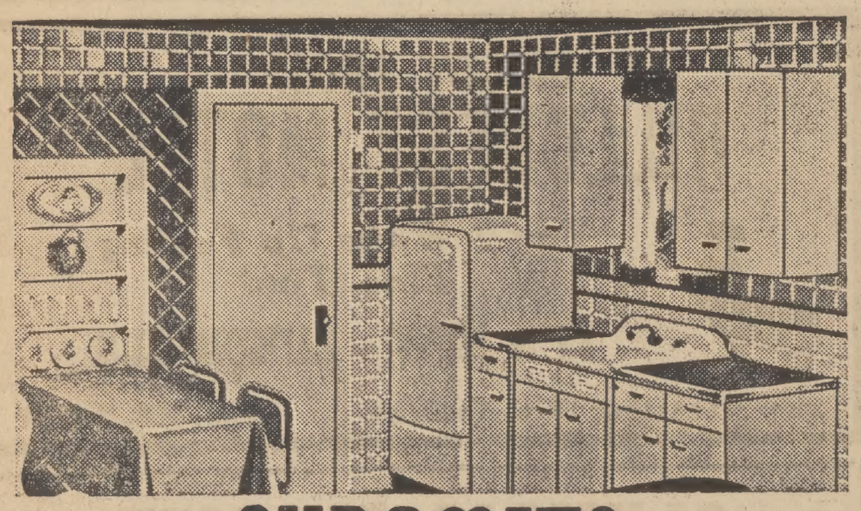
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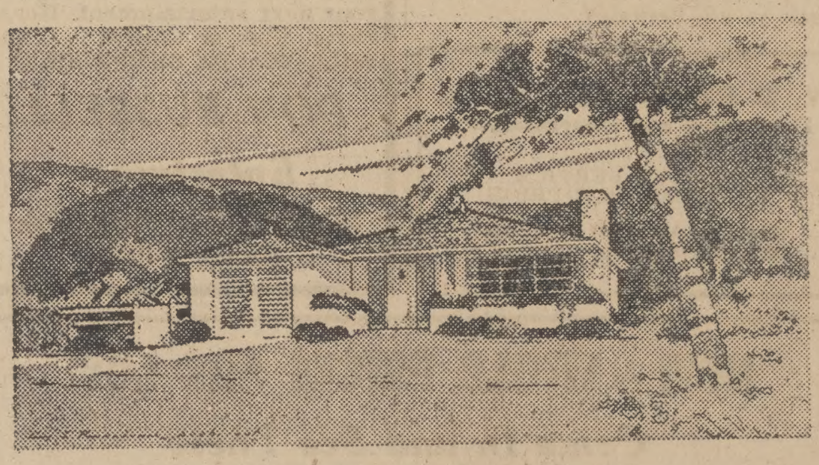
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